

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 551 - SB 1313**

April 5, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires all parties to communication to consent before one party can intercept wire, oral, or electronic communication or record cell or cordless telephone conversation. Violation would be a Class A misdemeanor unless the offender knowingly publishes, distributes, or otherwise disseminates the communication, in which case it is a Class E felony.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$1,500/Incarceration\***

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant**

**Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant**

Assumes one Class E felony conviction every three years. Also, fiscal impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this Class A misdemeanor offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill. Such impact is not estimated to be significant.

*\*Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.*

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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